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TO AMEMBASSY LOURENCO MARQUES IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: AFSP, OGEN

SUBJECT: EMBASSY OPENING AND STAFFING

REF.: LOURENCO MARQUES 1207

1. WE ARE NOT CAPABLE OF JUDGING MOST EFFECTIVE STYLE AND METHOD OF APPROACHING GPRM BUT RELY ON YOUR DISCRETION AND JUDGMENT. OUR GOAL WITH RESPECT TO OPENING OF EMBASSY IS TO GET EXPLICIT GPRM CONCURRENCE WHILE AVOIDING ANY SLIPPAGE FROM ORAL AGREEMENT GIVEN BY CHISSANO IN NEW YORK. (WE DO NOT CONSIDER INFORMAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF NOTE MENTIONED PARA 1 REFTEL AS SUFFICIENT.) ON STAFF, WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE WICK AND FORNOFF PROCEED TO LOURENCO MARQUES ASAP BUT DO NOT WISH TO RISK CONTRETEMPS WITH GPRM ON THIS.

2. SUGGEST YOU TALK TO TEMBE OR ANYONE ELSE YOU JUDGE APPROPRIATE EITHER BY TELEPHONE OR BY GOING TO SEE HIM AT FOREIGN OFFICE WITH OR WITHOUT APPOINTMENT, WHICHEVER WAY IT IS DONE THERE, AND RAISE THESE TWO SUBJECTS. ON QUESTION OF OPENING, GPRM CONCURRENCE COULD PERHAPS BE  
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FINESSED DURING CONVERSATION. ON SUBJECT OF STAFF, IF YOU

BELIEVE IT WOULD BE EFFECTIVE, WE SUGGEST YOU TRY  
SUGGESTION MADE PARA 6 REFTEL AND SIMPLY REQUEST VISAS

FOR TWO REPLACEMENTS WHO ARE WAITING AT CONSIDERABLE  
EXPENSE TO USG AND SAY YOU WOULD LIKE THEM TO PROCEED TO  
LOURENCO MARQUES ON DAY YOU DEEM SUITABLE.

3. FYI. RE PARA 6 REFTEL, IF WICK AND FORNOFF APPEARED  
WITHOUT PROPER NOTICE TO GPRM, THEY COULD BE TURNED AWAY  
AT AIRPORT WHERE THEY WOULD PRESUMABLY HAVE TO OBTAIN  
VISAS OR WE COULD PROVOKE IRE OF GPRM AND CONFLICT WHICH  
OUR RELATIONS AT THIS STAGE COULD ILL AFFORD. THEREFORE,  
WE BELIEVE IT BEST TO GET PROPER GPRM CONCURRENCE. AT  
SAME TIME, WE WOULD STRONGLY PREFER NOT TO HAVE TO LEAVE  
WICK AND FORNOFF COOLING THEIR HEELS FOR 30 DAYS. END  
FYI.

4. YOU SHOULD BE AWARE THAT WE RECOGNIZE DIFFICULTIES  
YOU FACE IN DEALING WITH GPRM BUT YOU SHOULD ALSO BEAR IN  
MIND THAT, AS NOTED IN PARAGRAPH 1, WE ARE NOT IN  
POSITION HERE TO JUDGE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY OF DEALING  
WITH THEM. WHILE WE EXPECT EQUITABLE TREATMENT, WE DO  
NOT WANT TO PROVOKE CONFRONTATION BY CHOOSING APPROACHES  
THAT WOULD BE RESENTED BY GPRM OR ROUSE UNWARRANTED  
SUSPICIONS. KISSINGER

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